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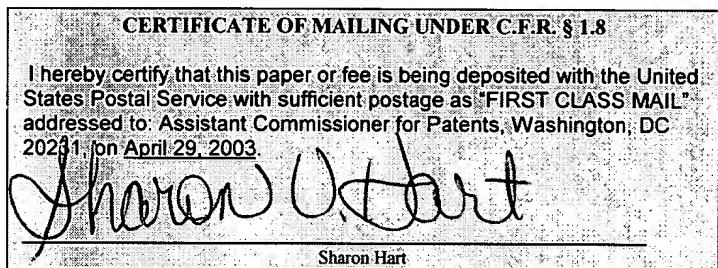
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JANUARY 29, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed January 29, 2003, for which the shortened three-month statutory response date is April 29, 2003. Since this response is being filed on April 29, 2003, this paper is timely filed.

No fee is believed due as a result of the response contained herein. However, **should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. Deposit Account No. 01-0365/TT2581.** In the event the monies in that account are insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to withdraw funds from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2000.002500.